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Subject: Fw: BG

Still haven't heard dnr's input on BG visit. Fyi

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR)  
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 11:30:07 2007  
Subject: BG

I've been invited by valdez mayor Cottle to visit BG folks at their port site when I travel on wednesday - is this appropriate in light of AGIA applications?

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From: /o=SOA/ou=First Administrative Group/cn=Recipients/cn=srparnell1  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 12:04 PM  
To: 'Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored) '  
Subject: RE: Tomorrow

Did you get anything back on this?

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 9:49 AM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Tomorrow

Who's running the mtg and what's the agenda?

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Subject: RE: poll

Exactly!

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To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)  
Subject: Re: poll

Holy flippin A

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Frye, Ivy J (DOA)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

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**Subject:** Joint press release on prisoner transport

Folks-

Julie Hasquet with Mayor Begich's office wanted to know if we are interested in a joint press release on prisoner transport. May I have feedback on this?

Sharon

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**From:** Hasquet, Julie M. [mailto:HasquetJM@ci.anchorage.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 3:15 PM  
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**Subject:** DRAFT news release on prisoner transport

Sharon,

Here is a draft of some possible language about resolution of the prisoner transport issue.

Let me know if your folks would like to do a joint release and what additions/changes they would have.

Thanks, Julie

<<prisoner transport.doc>>

Julie Hasquet

Communications Director

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 6:15 PM

To: Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA); Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV); Frye; Ivy J (DOA)

Subject: thank you for the reception last Friday

Governor Palin, Commissioner Kreitzer, Ivy, and Erika,  
I wanted to formally thank you for the wonderful reception last Friday. It was a perfect project recognition event. A rare opportunity for work to be recognized by executives, plus enjoy refreshments in the charming Governor's residence. The team members felt appreciated, and we were comfortable in the gracious and hospitable atmosphere you created. It was very memorable for us, and we appreciated it.

Regards,  
Kim Gamero  
Director of Finance

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Thanks

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Governor,

Following up on Mike's note...Our plan is to be very open with the legislators about the process we went through and the information we provided to you. We will describe the teams, the direction they were given, and the results they came up with. Marcia Davis, Dep. Commissioner, will discuss the "econ" team that crunched the numbers on various projects and looked at gross vs net options; Jon Iversen, Tax Director, will describe the "admin" team who came up with the needed improvements to the net-based options. I will then explain how we came up with the various parts of the ACES proposal.

If you are able to attend, I think a valuable message would be a reminder of our openness and willingness to work with the legislators on this proposal.

-Pat

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Cc: Colberg; Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Beigel

Will do. I will report back as soon I reach him.

Frank, will you please send me Glenn's phone numbers. Thanks.

Mike

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:12 PM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Beigel

Mike- you're up on this controversy with Beigel and the emails I've sent Talis to let him know about it (and Beigel's request to talk to the AG about it)... Instead of Talis having to meet with him on it, pls call Beigel to find out his beef more thoroughly. Frank's been running interference here, I wanted to wrap up my comments on this in that final email I sent Beigel on Saturday before he went back on the air to "guess" about our position on homeschools... Pls call him bc it was your name mentioned as the guy who "steered me wrong", according to Beigel's rant on the Fagan show. Try that tactic before Talis spends any more time on this - Frank, too.

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**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 4:55 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Subject:** FW: Beigel Points

I am forwarding an email from Barbara Thompson that summarized Glenn's requests to the state. You asked me to give Glenn a call and I am happy to but I wanted to ask you if I could talk to you tomorrow when I am up there first. The Board meeting is Friday where his group will be able to offer testimony and request the board discuss the issues below at their work session. Also, he will ask me to commit to making these changes. I know you responded that you are with him philosophically but he will push for me to commit to specific proposals. One is a significant policy question that is much more than an equity issue (I can tell you that Carol Comeau is concerned and will be attending the Friday board meeting to listen to Glenn) and another is a significant legal issue that would require the Department of Law to reverse a previous opinion. Anyway, I am concerned that in my effort to discuss his issues, he will be quick to go to the Board on Friday and testify that he has the Governor's full support for these proposals.

I would be happy to call him as I committed but would you be OK if I talked to you tomorrow first?

Mike

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**From:** Thompson, Barbara A (EED)  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 3:33 PM  
**To:** Smith, Lynne M (GOV)  
**Subject:** Beigel Points

The two major items that Mr. Biegel and the Alaska Home Educators Alliance (AHEA) would like changed appear to be:

1. Remove the 15% cap on expenditures for music, fine arts and physical education. Currently, 4 AAC 33.421(m) places a limit for expenditures for music, fine arts, and physical education at 15% of the Base Student Allocation (which is currently \$5,380). (15% of the BSA equals \$807). Since most statewide correspondence programs offer program "fund allotments" of @ \$2,000 per student, up to \$807 of that allotment could be spend on music, fine arts, and/or physical education.
2. Allow parents to use privately purchased religious materials/curriculum for their child's instruction. Currently, parents may purchase religious materials (or any other materials they choose) to supplement materials approved and purchased by the school district's Statewide Correspondence Program. The 2005 Attorney General's Opinion speaks to the use of religious materials and Mr. Biegel/AHEA believe this opinion is in error.

I have heard that when Mr. Biegel spoke on the radio last week that he said that all they (AHEA) want is to get a hearing with the State Board. Mr. Biegel and homeschooling parents and students provided public comment at the Board's June meeting and will again have the opportunity to provided comment, written and oral, at the Board meeting on September 21st, as well as anytime in the future.

If you need or want more information, let me know! Thanks, Lynne. BAT

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Bruce's input from dnr.

We were having email problems, so you've received duplicates no doubt

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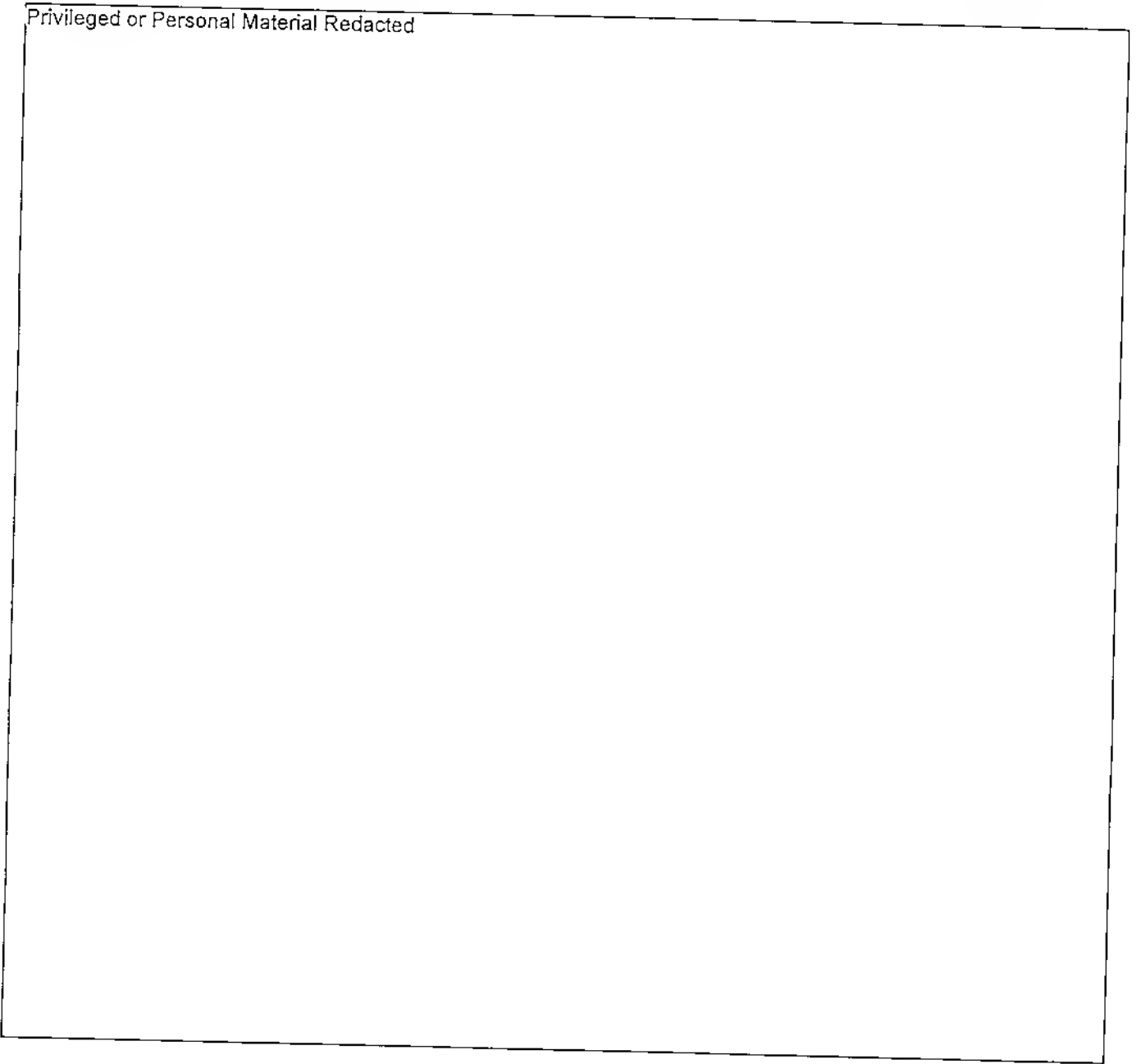
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If you are able to attend, I think a valuable message would be a reminder of our openness and willingness to work with the legislators on this proposal.

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 9:27 AM  
To: 'Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)'  
Subject: RE: Cake

Will do...thank you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:36 AM  
To: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Cake

Tell your folks I'm bringing in Track's leftover cake - it's good! .



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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:23 PM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Cc: Colberg; Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Beigel

Will do. I will report back as soon I reach him.

Frank, will you please send me Glenn's phone numbers. Thanks.

Mike

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
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Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Beigel

Mike- you're up on this controversy with Beigel and the emails I've sent Talis to let him know about it (and Beigel's request to talk to the AG about it)... Instead of Talis having to meet with him on it, pls call Beigel to find out his beef more thoroughly. Frank's been running interference here, I wanted to wrap up my comments on this in that final email I sent Beigel on Saturday before he went back on the air to "guess" about our position on homeschools... Pls call him bc it was your name mentioned as the guy who "steered me wrong", according to Beigel's rant on the Fagan show. Try that tactic before Talis spends any more time on this - Frank, too.

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**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 4:20 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); lynne\_smith@gov.state.ak.us  
**Subject:** FW: Letter

Governor,

We checked this morning and Barbara Thompson did send the letter on Friday to Sec. Spellings. I am forwarding you an email from Executive Director Diane Barrans of the Postsecondary Education Commission that provide more clarification on the DOE regs and legislation. Also Matt Zency called Diane today asking question regarding the differences between Alaska (ACPE) and other lending institutions. After speaking with Matt, she feels that the story will be positive.

Mike

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**From:** Barrans, Diane M (ACPE)  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 16, 2007 4:50 PM  
**To:** Smith, Lynne M (GOV)  
**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Letter

Mike is correct, Lynne. There is some relationship between what is happening in terms of regulation USDOE is promulgating, legislation coming out of Congress, and the communication with both USDOE and members of congress.

For the last two years there has been significant focus in DC on the federal education loan program (FFELP) and concerns about inappropriate FFELP lender behavior that either increases program costs or leaves students and their families vulnerable as a result of inappropriate relationships between lenders and institutions. This scrutiny has resulted in both statutory and regulatory efforts to resolve the troubling issues. The concern for Alaska is that in the effort to improve the program's structure to better: 1) control costs to tax payers; and, 2) protect the consumer, there should be consideration of our real-life situation where it is a state agency (not a for-profit bank) acting as a one-stop financial aid shop for students in and from our state. The rules do not contemplate the existence of an entity like the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education which is solely focused on residents' and state needs and which passes every cent of federal subsidy received through the program on to our borrowers. Entities like ACPE are very unique and the media has been myopic by failing to acknowledge that we exist.

We are currently working on a press release that will raise some of these issues and try to heighten awareness at least here in the state. I have also been working closely with John Katz' staff in DC to try to improve the awareness within the beltway that we're out here and delivering services to students and their families in what I believe to be the best possible public service model.

As you know we have our "Big Picture" budget meeting tomorrow and I will be happy to provide more information then if Mike or you would like to continue the discussion.

Just as an FYI--Alaska's model is one with which USDOE leadership and certainly key Senate staffers are familiar. ACPE's federal education loans are provided at the lowest rate in the nation because of our structure and public purpose mission. We are viewed as "good actors" but unfortunately all of the really big players within the federal education loan program are the ones at which the new rules are targeted.

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Hope this is responsive to your inquiry.  
Diane

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**From:** Smith, Lynne M (GOV)  
**Sent:** Sat 9/15/2007 6:29 PM  
**To:** Barrans, Diane M (ACPE)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter

I can't tell if Mike emailed you this or not. If case he didn't...

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 15, 2007 9:14 AM  
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Smith, Lynne M (GOV)  
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV)  
**Subject:** RE: Letter

My read of the article is that it is related. The letter was focused on rules being considered by the US Dept of Education and the article was focused on Congressional action. It looks like both efforts are aimed at eliminating excess profits by lenders at the disadvantage of students. The article mentions reduced rates which Alaska already offers; however they look like discounts beyond what we offer. I can get a comparison of the regs verses the legislation from Postsecondary Education that will help.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
**To:** "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>; "Lynne M Smith" <lynne.smith@alaska.gov>  
**Cc:** "Janice L Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>; "John Katz" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>  
**Sent:** 9/15/2007 8:34 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Letter

Did the editorial pertain to barb's letter's content?

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Michael A Tibbles  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**To:** Michael A Tibbles  
**To:** Lynne M Smith  
**Cc:** Janice L Mason  
**Cc:** John Katz  
**Sent:** Sep 15, 2007 8:30 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Letter

We did ask Barbara Thompson to send the letter and she agreed. I will have to check to see if it is already out the door.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

**From:** "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
**To:** "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tib

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**From:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 10:48 AM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us  
**Subject:** FW: FW: Gravina

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**To:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: FW: Gravina

FYI

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**From:** Larry Persily [mailto:lpersily@ALASKADC.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2007 1:17 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: Gravina

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**Subject:** Gravina

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:20 AM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: RE: logcc

Beth is drafting the speech. She did receive some information from Seamount and pulled some background information from the IOGCC website. We spent some time Saturday going over the message and specific items to include in the speech. I will check in today to see how far along she is now. Our goal was to get you a draft early and we should be on track.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:06 AM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: logcc

Whos working on new orleans speech? I need to have this one far in advance, tomorrow would be best

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**From:** Anders, Bruce F (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=BFANDERS]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 1:43 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
**Cc:** Leschper, Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); 'meg.stapleton@alaska.gov'; ExternalEmailgsp  
**Subject:** RE: Mat%20Maid%20op%20ed%20KK[1].doc

Sorry, I got tied up, and didn't see others' efforts – I edited substantially from the original, and including some major rewrites and major deletions (comments on some points included).

Bruce

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 1:18 PM  
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Bailey, Frank T (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
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Kristan Cole

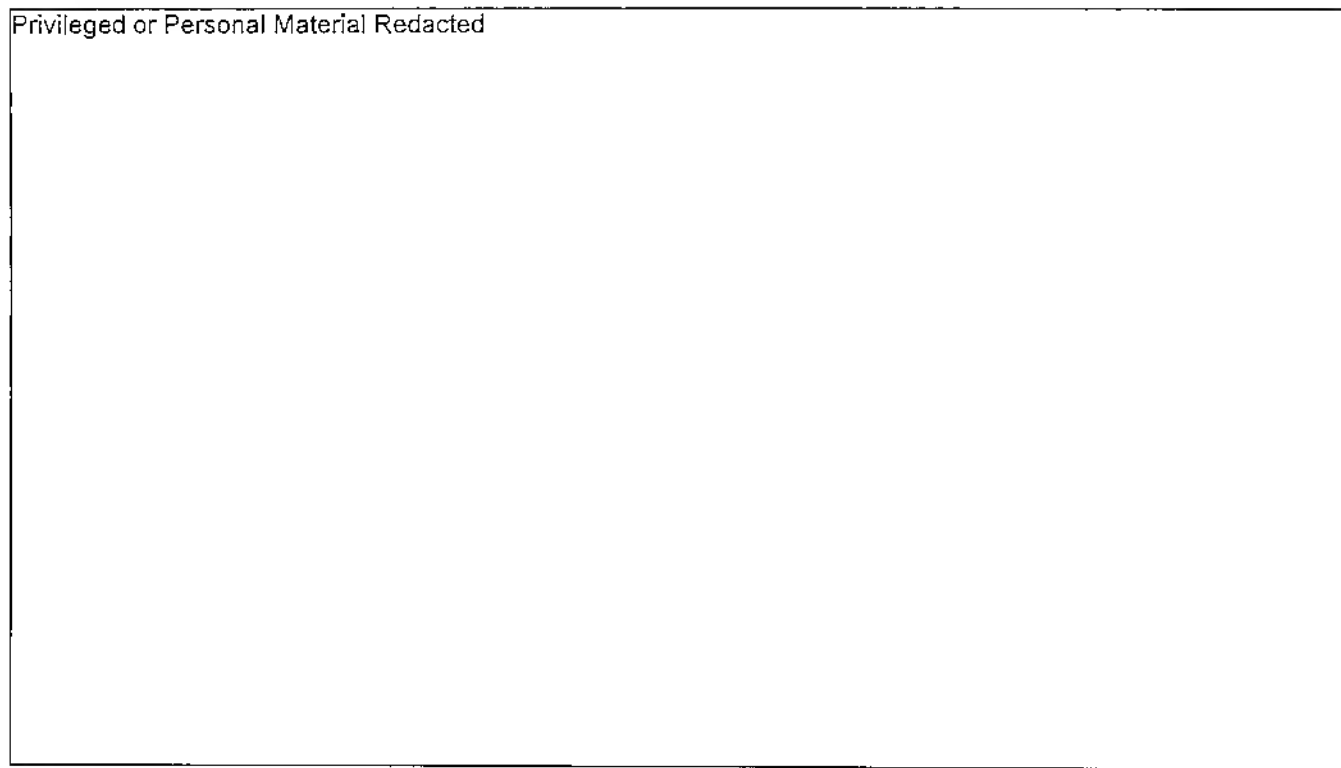
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**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 12:44 PM  
**To:** Sarah Palin  
**Cc:** kris\_perry@gov.state.ak.us  
**Subject:** RE: FW: FW: Gravina

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Mike

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**From:** Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 11:08 AM  
**To:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Persily, Larry A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: FW: Gravina

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Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Iogcc

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:26 AM  
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
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Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:25:07 2007  
Subject: Re: AIDEA

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:24:25 2007  
Subject: RE: AIDEA

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>  
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Has Ron's position been exempt all this time?

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 6:24 AM  
To: Kelsey; Mark D (GOV)  
Cc: Leschper; Beth (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Op Ed

Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

From: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)  
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Sent: Sun Sep 16 21:01:19 2007  
Subject: RE: Op Ed

It ran in the Frontiersman on Friday.

Mark D. Kelsey  
Special Assistant to the Governor  
Office of Gov. Sarah Palin  
907.269.7450, Anchorage  
907.352.2585, Mat-Su

-----Original Message-----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
Sent: Sun 9/16/2007 3:12 PM  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Cc: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Op Ed

Yes. We'll check for planned run dates.

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

To: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Cc: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Sun Sep 16 13:17:33 2007

Subject: Op Ed

B- did the op ed get submitted to all publications, incl Frontiersman and Petroleum News, Journal of Commerce, etc?

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 6:24 AM  
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Lefebvre; Richard A (DNR); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR)  
Subject: Re: Road to be built

Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Lefebvre, Richard A (DNR); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 05:31:38 2007  
Subject: RE: Road to be built

Governor, we support this idea.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>  
To: "Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)" <leo.vonscheben@alaska.gov>; "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>  
Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>; "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>  
Sent: 9/16/07 12:58 PM  
Subject: Road to be built

Good tour of Curry Ridge. This alternate route doesnt have the opposition the original route had. As long as we're not cutting off winter motorized access in the area then we need to plug in the \$7 million for the road to match the Fed funds and Borough participation and RR assistance.

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:59 PM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Anders; Bruce F (DNR); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Iogcc

I will have the draft for you in the morning.

Beth

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:57 PM  
To: Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Iogcc

Haven't seen, but I can start wkling on any draft that may be out there.

----- Original Message -----

From: Anders, Bruce F (DNR)  
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 16:55:29 2007  
Subject: RE: Iogcc

Just want to make sure we're out ahead of this, with ample time. Is there a draft to vet yet?

Thanks,

Bruce

-----Original Message-----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:37 AM

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Gibson, Kurtis K (DNR)

Subject: RE: Iogcc

Will do.

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:49 PM  
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Requesting address

You and your daughter, and Diane and Erika ROCK. Thank you!!!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 16:47:36

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Requesting address

I just heard from Todd and I apologize with bothering you with these. I received J.D.'s cell number and already gave it to the store.

Also, thank you for Friday night, I enjoyed being able to help, and most of all to sit and talk about things. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:46 PM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Todd Palin

Subject: Re: Requesting address

Oh my goodness you get all kinds of requests Janice!!! You are good...

I'll ask Todd to handle this

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>



Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 16:37:49

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: fek9wnr@yahoo.com

Subject: Requesting address

Governor/Todd - I am hoping this is a relative. Janice

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:16 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Carolyn Hayes

address: 975 Van Horn Road suite 2 Fairbanks AK 99701

907-479-3473

MESSAGE:

I had a young man come into the store where I work, Alaskan Fire & Safety, back in March of this year, and special ordered a pair of goggles to be sent to him when they came in. When i commented on his name being the same as yours he told me he was your brother-in-law, J.D. Palin; and gave me an address of P O Box 201175, Anchorage, Alaska, 99520. I sent it Priority Mail on April 11, 07; and now, TODAY, have gotten it back marked "unclaimed"; (another testament to our so efficient post office) I was hoping that IF he was indeed related to you, that perhaps you could contact him and ask him to please call me with a good address so that I can get these delivered to him. rnThank you very much for your help; and if you have any spare time, you just might take a look at our wonderful and efficient postal service! You've done an excellent job so far weeding out the flakes in our other "systems"; so I know you could make some improvements there too!rn !

Hayes

A loyal supporter!rn

Carolyn

carolynsblues@hotmail.com

PLEASE ADD TO E-NEWS

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:36 PM  
To: Fagerstrom; Erika (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Tv

Thanks so much

-----Original Message-----

From: Erika Fagerstrom  
To: Governor Sarah Palin  
Sent: Sep 17, 2007 4:22 PM  
Subject: RE: Tv

Hello,

Makes perfect sense to have a TV. in the kitchen; I'm surprised we didn't have one sooner!

I checked and there's not a cable, but am told that it's pretty easy to drop one down into the kitchen. I'll proceed with GCI and getting a TV.

:)

Erika

Erika Fagerstrom  
Executive Residence Manager  
Governor's House  
State of Alaska, Office of the Governor  
716 Calhoun Avenue, Juneau, Alaska 99801  
Phone: 907-465-3500; Fax: 907-465-2031

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:00 PM

To: Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)

Subject: Tv

Hi E! Forgot to ask if there's a tv cable in the kitchen - if so can we get a small kitchen tv in there? We do seem to spend a lot of time in that room!

Thanks much

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To: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
Subject: Fw: Joint press release on prisoner transport

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 18 Sep 2007 00:17:50

To: "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Walt C Monegan" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>, "Joseph D Schmidt" <joseph.schmidt@alaska.gov>, "Talis J Colberg" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>, "Kristina Y Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Joint press release on prisoner transport

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From: "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 16:08:21

To: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Joint press release on prisoner transport

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Beth

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
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To: ExternalEmailgsp; Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Joint press release on prisoner transport

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 4:04 PM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Joint press release on prisoner transport

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In that light... Randy tells me that the Mayor and Rick Svobodny (head of the criminal division) will be on Ch. 11 tonight. The Mayor is still criticizing the state for poor performance in regard to our district attorney's office. Rick has the statistics to show he is wrong and will be factual in his response. (Same statistics Talis shared with us previously that show we are taking more municipal cases that we were four years ago).

Mike

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 3:51 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Schmidt, Joseph D (DOC); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

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Subject: DRAFT news release on prisoner transport

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(907) 350-4846 - cell

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Cc: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Beigel and Fish

Got it. Thanks. I was just talking to Frank about it...

----- Original Message -----

From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 15:26:37 2007  
Subject: RE: Beigel and Fish

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-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:48 PM  
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Re: Beigel and Fish

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----- Original Message -----

From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 14:38:22 2007

Subject: RE: Beigel

Dear Governor Palin,

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Talis

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:12 PM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Beigel

Mike- you're up on this controversy with Beigel and the emails I've sent Talis to let him know about it (and Beigel's request to talk to the AG about it)... Instead of Talis having to meet with him on it, pls call Beigel to find out his beef more thoroughly. Frank's been running interference here, I wanted to wrap up my comments on this in that final email I sent Beigel on Saturday before he went back on the air to "guess" about our position on homeschools... Pls call him bc it was your name mentioned as the guy who "steered me wrong", according to Beigel's rant on the Fagan show. Try that tactic before Talis spends any more time on this - Frank, too.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 3:27 PM  
To: Frye; Ivy J (DOA)  
Subject: Re: poll

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
Flag Status: Red

Holy flippin A

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (DOA)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 15:16:31

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: poll

I googled and found a Dittman poll for Murk in August 2006 referenced on Kyle's blog.

Dittman poll (updated)

Posted by thetrail

Posted: August 14, 2006 - 3:17 pm

Dave Dittman, the longtime Anchorage pollster who worked on Murkowski's campaign earlier in the race, finished a poll on the Republican primary last night.

He says he surveyed people who are eligible to vote on the Republican ballot and voted in the party's primary in 2004. (Except for a fraction - 7 percent - who have registered since 2004 and say they'll vote Aug. 22).

Dittman says he didn't conduct the poll for any particular candidate and that the sample size is about 500 people. His results are similar to the recent Rasmussen Reports numbers:

Palin: 40 percent

Binkley: 29 percent

Murkowski: 17 percent

Dittman writes: "Fourteen percent (14%) are still undecided with a week remaining before the election, however a demographic analysis of the undecided voters estimates that if the election were held today, Palin would receive 46%, Binkley 34% and Murkowski 20%.

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Subject: Re: Trial

When was the murky poll?!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (DOA)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 15:09:53

To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Trial

From Kyle Hopkins at the federal courthouse --

Pollster David Dittman took the stand again after lunch, as the jury looked at a list of three or four Veco-paid polls that he conducted in 2006.

One of those polls cost \$20,000 and was for then Gov. Frank Murkowski. Dittman said the poll was initiated by Murkowski or his chief of staff, Jim Clark, and paid for by Veco.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 3:05 PM  
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Fw: Quinn

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 23:03:20

To: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Sharon W Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Russell T Kelly" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Quinn

Thanks so much tibs

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 14:53:44

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: Quinn

Governor,

I just talked to Steve and provided him additional background information. He said that so far, he has been unable to reach Lyda. I let him know that I spoke with Lyda and made offers in numerous formats to help provide the Legislature information on our proposal,

how we came to that decision and why we think it is best for Alaska. I also told him that since there was not much interest, I requested the assistance of other members of leadership to schedule meetings before and during special session so we could speed up the educational process and help have a more successful session. I also offered to a number of other leadership members our willingness to sit down and walk them through additional information. Some are individually interested. I let him know that in addition to my calls, Russ had been in contact with Lyda. He was very thankful for the information.

Mike



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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:48 PM  
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Fw: Beigel and Fish

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); 'ftb907@yahoo.com' <ftb907@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 14:47:40 2007  
Subject: Re: Beigel and Fish

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 14:38:22 2007  
Subject: RE: Beigel

Dear Governor Palin,

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:12 PM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Beigel

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:19 PM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
Cc: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Aces and Media

Governor,

The team is working on the following draft agenda:

The draft outline:

- I. Intro by GOV
- II. Where we've been
- III. Why ACES?
- IV. What legislators need from the administration to evaluate ACES
- V. General Q&A

Except the introduction, Pat and Marcia will walk through the agenda.

Regarding the Senate, Russ talked to Lyda Green and extended an invitation to hold a similar briefing for the Senate. Lyda did not see flying legislators to a briefing as a good use of resources prior to a bill being prepared. Russ will follow up today by sending Lyda an email offering to hold a group meeting if they desire. We will point out the House's interest in learning how we got to where we are and that we could do the same for the Senate prior to the bill being ready for distribution.

Mike

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 1:57 PM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
Cc: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
Subject: Aces and Media

Pls let me know when you all know what tomorrow's aces agenda looks like.

AP called asking about the preview/update tomorrow. Sharon and I told reporter it's not closed doors... also that COS has reached out to Senate Leadership offering the same, but so far no positive response

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 2:16 PM  
To: Austerman; Joseph M (CED); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Frank Bailey; Anders; Bruce F (DNR)  
Cc: Kristan@KristanCole.com  
Subject: Re: Mat Maid op ed final

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Kris pls forward my  
edits to Kristan - want her to know we're still working on her op ed  
Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Austerman, Joseph M (CED)" <joe.austerman@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 14:02:52

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)"  
<sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Balash,  
Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Cc: Kristan@KristanCole.com

Subject: RE: Mat Maid op ed final

Hi everyone,

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From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 11:13 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Austerman, Joseph M (CED); Frank Bailey

Subject: Re: Mat Maid op ed final

i'm tweaking it

and we're allocated 675 words

"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:

Folks -

This is our final draft of the Mat Maid Op/Ed to be submitted on behalf of Kristan Cole.

Thoughts?

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 6:57 AM  
To: 'gbiegel@ak.net'  
Cc: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

Glen- i am in Juneau. I got your message a couple of days ago, have been tasking folks to find out what I'm missing so you could receive an appropriate response with going back and forth again. Without fail, each person has reported back that they were confident they had communicated with you about our desire to help. I had people spend more than a day looking for "my" letter to you that seemed to have been the catalyst for the miscommunications on the air, because we wanted all info in front of us in order to respond. That letter was nonexistent, I believe you clarified then about the letter. That was less than three days ago. We're still seeking info on this issue so there will be no more miscommunications, damaged relationships, distrust, missed opportunities to help, etc. I believe you overreacted and you left many people with the impression that their homeschool issues will be better dealt with in a different administration.

It doesn't seem wise to me for you to "make guesses" about anything, then speak about it on the air. I have not had the chance to sit down with the AG to speak about this, as your request is to speak to him, so though it's not wise, nor fair, to "make guesses" again on the air, I can not tell you what to say on air... I've already expressed the commitment to help, the tasking of staff to gather more information so the board can more aggressively tackle the issues, I've insisted homeschoolers get adequate time to address the board... etc.

I know Frank Bailey was able to speak with you from Anchorage. I am sure he told you again that we're working to find solutions, as Pat Shier (I believe) has also conveyed to you.

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Biegel <gbiegel@ak.net>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Sat Sep 15 06:38:06 2007  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

Governor,

I still don't have any indication on how you want to proceed (Timeframe, next steps, meetings, etc). I am having to make guesses on what will happen in the future without any guidance, and then speak about it on the air. I will indicate on air that I did not get the information to you or to the right people and that I have every confidence that this issue will turn out, but it would be nice to have something more than your response below. I don't want to make things worse (if they can get worse).

Thanks

Glen

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) <mailto:govpalin@alaska.gov>

To: gbiegel@ak.net

Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2007 1:49 PM

Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

I was not provided all this information/communications Glen. Thanks for bringing it to my attention- but this is all the more reason a more responsible venue should have been found for you to air your grievances instead of playing into our known critic's hands. Fagan seemed to be using you, big time. All I could think of when listening to you was: "With friends like this, who needs enemies".

And it's not personally "hard on me" to go through things like that yesterday, but a conservative agenda gets squashed when those who could be working together to accomplish something are set up like you were yesterday. That was brutal Glen, and I've heard from others saying worse things than "brutal". Please don't pass these thoughts on to Fagan - he hates me and my administration enough as it is.

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Biegel <gbiegel@ak.net>

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Wed Sep 12 09:25:25 2007

Subject: Fw: Letter from Governor Palin

Governor,

Here is a copy of a letter from Lynn Smith and an email from one of our parents.

Thanks

Glen

Here also is a paste from a different email about a response to Lynn Smith and a conversation that She, Sally Javier and I had:

Hi Lynn,

Thank you for replying. I would like to talk to you more on the comments from Barbara Thompson and share more information that I pray you will share with the Governor. The comments from Mrs. Thompson raise many concerns for parents who have been left out of this process.

There was the perception of abuse. How many of these abuses were documented? Why didn't the DEED do something? All the laws needed to prevent that abuse were in place. All the regulations needed to stop the abuse were in place. Why was regulation written in the absence of law? Do they admit that it destroys competition? Do they admit that homeschoolers are having choice stripped from them? This was ordered by former Governor Murkowski who told his staff to shut us down and quiet the papers. Why wasn't this handled with individual teachers who had a certificate they would like to keep?

Also, Lynn, it is not going to work for Mrs. Thompson to say that Galena agreed to this. Galena was negotiating with the DEED and lobbying the legislature for other programs at the same time. Where were the other statewide programs at this meeting? Where were the parents? Open testimony was closed even though there were lots of us waiting. Does Galena speak for all? A quick call to any of the Galena folks will give you the honest answer that all statewide programs were being held at gunpoint during those meetings. The gun was that if they did

not take what they were offered, the Murkowski DEED and Murkowski Board of EED would shut them down. That meeting was one of the reasons why parents organized to look after the welfare of their children.

(I'm paraphrasing here.) Glen wondered how Rep. Hawker, and not the legislators who penned the legislation, could make decisions about regulations in the face of laws that are contradict.

Governor Palin told me when we talked (she was in Fairbanks at their fair campaigning) that she believed in competition. Regulating statewide programs with regulations that do not apply to in-district homeschool programs is an equity issue that can not be ignored.

Are you still at the office this morning? If we can not visit via phone today, when do you return from your (more than likely a much needed) vacation? Lynn, who would be your back up while you are on vacation?

When Governor Palin ran for office, she, personally responded to the AHEA questionnaire promising statewide homeschoolers, many of whom campaigned for her, some very specific things. Please see the list below.

Will the Governor meet with us? Has she turned her back on her promises? Who is the Board of EED and the DEED responsible to? Where do they get their authority?

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Sally Javier

1. Currently, the State provides funding for school districts which enroll distance education students from around the state. These statewide programs currently serve nearly 10,000 Alaskan students.

1. Would you support the continuation of State supported homeschooling in its current form?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

2. Brick and mortar schools in Alaska currently spend an average of \$1,500 per pupil on extra-curricular activities, yet the statewide correspondence programs are limited to spending approximately \$800 per pupil for fine arts and P.E.

2. Would you support removing the regulations which cause this inequality among Alaskan students?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

3. The regulations adopted in 2004 and new interpretations of regulations adopted in 2005 impose restrictions on statewide homeschool programs which are not imposed on in-district homeschool programs.

3. Would you work with the families of over 10,000 home school students to correct the disparate treatment of homeschool families according to their enrollment in a statewide or an in-district homeschool program?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

4. The statewide programs receive only 80% of the per pupil foundation formula amount, and they receive no support from local property taxes.

4. Would you work with our members to remove the 20% funding penalty imposed on homeschool students in statewide programs?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

5. Last year, the Department of Education restricted the children of families in the statewide programs who use effective, privately purchased religious curricula, despite the fact that those materials clearly exceed the state's standards under AS 14.03.015, AS 14.07.20, etc.

5. Would you work with our families to guarantee that homeschool parents and teachers can use any materials which are aligned with state standards?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

6. State law currently places no restrictions on independent homeschoolers (AS 14.30.010.10.(b)). Nationwide, there is no correlation between state oversight and homeschooling outcomes.

6. Do you support keeping the current "hands off" approach to independent homeschooling?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

7. Homeschooling families tend to be more politically involved than the average. Many of our members would be willing to help a candidate who would support homeschooling.

7. Would you like us to tell our member families that you would welcome their help in your campaign?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

----- Original Message -----

From: "sally.javier" <sally.javier@ideafamilies.org>

To: <adougherty@pci.net>; <bheinrichs01@kodiakschools.org>; <gbiegel@ak.net>; <alaskaplantlady@alaska.net>

Sent: Monday, August 20, 2007 9:24 PM

Subject: FW: Letter from Governor Palin

-----Original Message-----

From: S. Nymeyer [mailto:nymeyer@gci.net]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:54 PM  
To: 'Sally Javier'; adougherty@gci.net; benshier@gci.net;  
bheinrichs01@kodiakschools.org; baheinrichs@hotmail.com;  
terinalochner@yahoo.com; gbiegel@ak.net; jclum@gci.net; jenhowie4@yahoo.com;  
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nels.tomlinson@gmail.com; patshier@gci.net; peterkott1971@aol.com;  
peterkott@hotmail.com; sally.javier@ideafamilies.org; sguffanti@cox.net;  
sallyjavier@yahoo.com; kodiakak@gmail.com; vonclumm@gmail.com  
Subject: FW: Letter from Governor Palin

Somehow this wasn't exactly the response I was hoping for...

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Castle, Lillian K (GOV) [mailto:lynn.castle@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:24 PM  
To: nymeyer@gci.net  
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Please see the attached letter from Governor Sarah Palin in response to your email.

Lynn Castle

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Thanks - enjoy a mellow weekend. Enjoy your family. Pls tell Diane how much the boys appreciated all the work she did too.

Let me know the best date for a nice dinner for jdhs.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 15 Sep 2007 02:14:34

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Teams

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It was a lot of fun having your family and Molly and her kids. :)

Have a good flight!!!

Erika

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Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 6:00 PM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: North Slope Fire

Governor,

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Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LMSMITH1]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 7:29 PM  
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Subject: statewide correspondence programs and state supported home school support issues

This is an information sheet that Eddy Jeans did for our (Governor, Mike Tibbles and me) meeting with Commissioner Sampson and Chairman Mauer in May. I thought the history would help.

I am working with Barbara Thompson on the "short" list of Mr. Biegel's concerns.

Lynne

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## Statewide Correspondence Programs & State Supported Home School Support Issues

- In the spring of 1998, the Alaska Legislature passed the new public school funding formula. Included in the legislation was funding for school districts that operated correspondence programs outside of their districts' boundaries, on a statewide basis. The legislation did not provide the department with guidance pertaining to the operation of these programs.
- Many of these statewide correspondence programs have developed and grown into what is known as state-supported home school programs.
- In the fall of 1998, the State Board of Education adopted regulation establishing an application process for public schools districts that elected to operate statewide correspondence programs.
- As these programs evolved, additional regulation were adopted to provide school districts with guidance in the operation of these programs. Absent specific legislative direction, the State Board assumed responsibility to establish guidelines for appropriate use of public funding by these programs.
- Almost all of these programs provide families with a **reimbursement allotment**, for each enrolled student, which can be used to purchase supplies, materials, tutors, and other educational expenses.
- Allotments for each child range from \$1,200 to \$2,000, depending on the child's grade level.
- School districts are funded \$4,304 per student enrolled in correspondence programs which is 80% of the base student allocation and is set in law.
- The department asked for guidance from the Legislature in 2004, for the passage of legislation that defines acceptable and appropriate use of public funds in the cash allotments, for these programs. The legislature suggested EED work with school districts and parents to resolve issues.
- In 2004, in response to many public and private complaints from Alaskan's about how the cash allotments were being spent, and at the request of the Alaska State Legislature, the Department of Education & Early Development promulgated regulations that would identify appropriate expenditures for the cash allotments.
- EED received documented reports of allotment funding being spent on family vacations, entire family health club memberships, water park passes, the purchase of animals, cameras, sewing machines, athletic shoes and other items that family members were not expected to return at the end of the course of study in the statewide correspondence program.

- EED can see the educational benefits when courses are linked to Alaska standards but the general public doesn't when funds are used in a questionable manner.
- It was also documented that some programs allowed the cash allotments to be used totally on music lessons, sports camps, art lessons, and other elective courses. In many instances, students were enrolled in no core academic programs.
- The State Board of Education & Early Development adopted regulations that required students to enroll in at least 50% core academic courses.
- Families may use up to 15% of their allotment (\$807) for art, music and physical education. This amount is based on 15% of the state's foundation base student allocation, which is \$5,380.
- This state imposed cap allows individuals to spend between 40-67% of their cash allotment on non core academic programs depending on the individual student allotment.
- EED highly values and supports home school programs and programs of choice. EED does not oppose families purchasing and using religious materials on their own. The state just can't pay for it.
- EED supports dual enrollment in community schools and correspondence programs when it provides the maximum benefit for the students.
- Some community schools have music and art in group settings but students in community schools don't enjoy the benefit of private one on one lessons.
- EED supports the traditional home schoolers as well as those that utilize the state supported home schooling programs operated by districts. Families that enroll in state support home schooling program must understand that once they accept public monies there will be strings and limitations attached.

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**From:** Palin  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 16, 2007 9:21 AM  
**To:** John Katz  
**Subject:** Fw: Helmet laws

Fyi

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)  
**Sent:** Sun Sep 16 09:20:16 2007  
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From: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV) [mark.kelsey@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2007 9:01 PM  
To: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: RE: Op Ed

It ran in the Frontiersman on Friday.

Mark D. Kelsey  
Special Assistant to the Governor  
Office of Gov. Sarah Palin  
907.269.7450, Anchorage  
907.352.2585, Mat-Su

-----Original Message-----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)  
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To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]  
Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2007 3:36 PM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Re: Trak

Great--the girls asked to come to so we'll all be there to help send off Trak.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
To: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Sun Sep 16 11:42:58 2007  
Subject: Re: Trak

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-----Original Message-----

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Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

From: Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Sun Sep 16 15:01:07 2007  
Subject: Re: Helmet laws

Thanks for your position on helmet laws. I will talk to mal menzies about gravina bridge.  
Leo

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To: Von Scheben; Leo (DOT); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Road to be built

Good tour of Curry Ridge. This alternate route doesnt have the opposition the original route had. As long as we're not cutting off winter motorized access in the area then we need to plug in the \$7 million for the road to match the Fed funds and Borough participation and RR assistance.

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**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 1:57 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); 'megan.stapleton@alaska.gov'  
**Subject:** RE: dnr's mat maid edits

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**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); megan.stapleton@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** dnr's mat maid edits

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**Cc:** Leschper, Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); 'meg.stapleton@alaska.gov'; ExternalEmailgsp  
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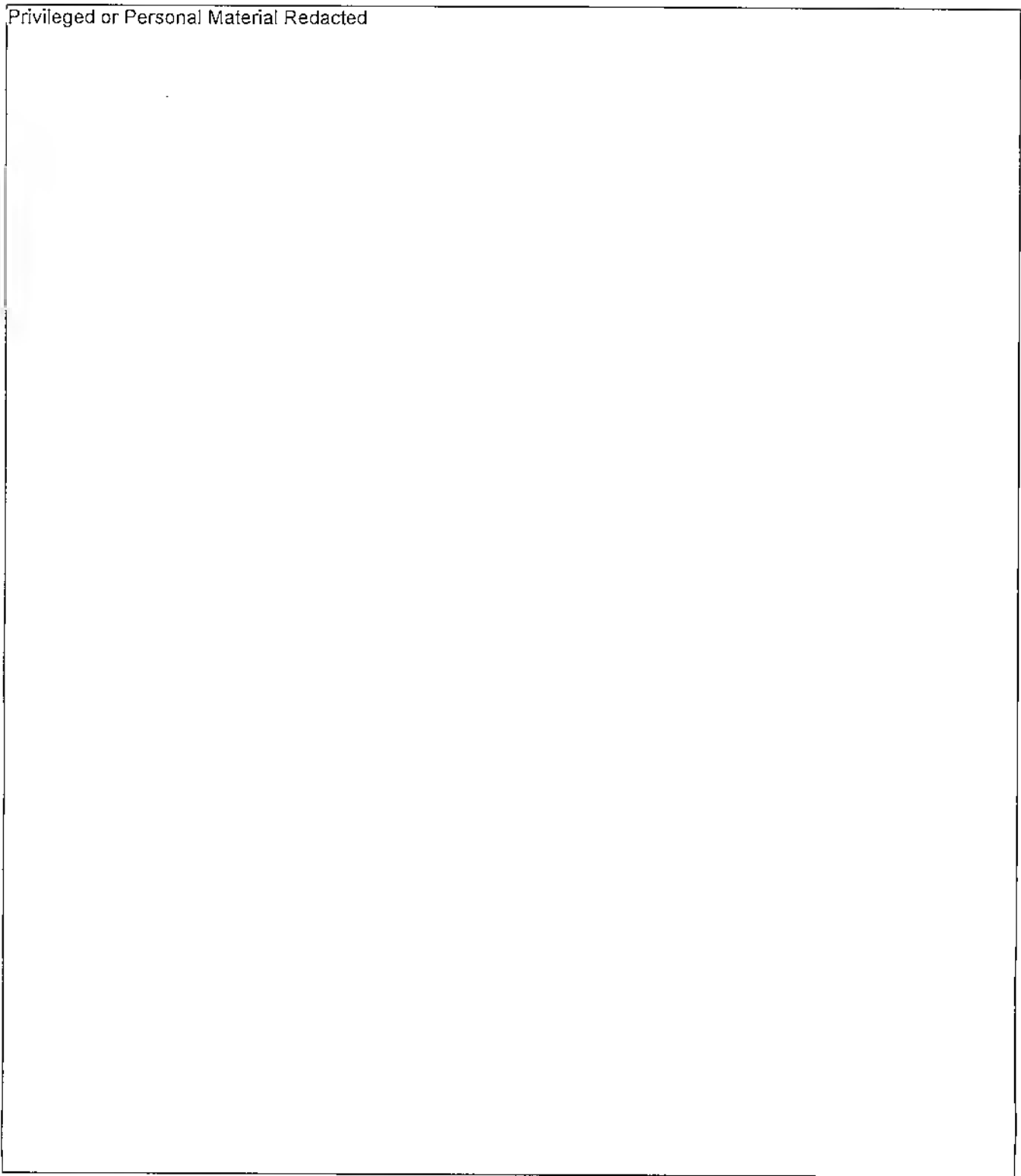
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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 9:51 AM

To: thebeanerfamily@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2007 8:18 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Military\_and\_Veterans\_Affairs

Web mail from: Ms. Nicole Bean

address: 51733 Karan Kawa Circle Fort Hood TX 76544

254-213-0753

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,rnrnrnLet me introduce myself my name is Nicole Bean and I was born and raised in Alaska, my husband I are both Alaska residents however the army has us stationed in Fort Hood Texas. We are having some issues down here with the Army and from what I understand since we are Alaskan residents that we are suppose to come to the government in Alaska with our issues. My husband when he joined the army told his recruiter about his shoulder problems however this was not mention to anybody like it was suppose to be. His APFT scores were pencil whipped. Here he was told when we lost our son that he had to show up at work. This intailed him bringing our other children to work with him at 5:30 in the morning. This to me is not acceptable. Then he was recently told by his command that he was not allowed to seek medical treatment for a serious issue. How can that be done and be justified. We have had several pay issues that have been brought to his husbands comm! and and none of these have been resolved but yet he continues to get into trouble from his command for not paying his bills. We are getting 300.00 every two weeks right now from the military and he is an E-3 and we have children. How do you support a family on that??? These are just a few of the issues that we are having down here and I was told to contact you since you are the Governor of Alaska which is where my husband and I are both residents. Please help us. Thank you and God blessrnNicole Bean

thebeanerfamily@yahoo.com

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**From:** Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 11:08 AM  
**To:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Persily; Larry A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: FW: Gravina

This is the first I've seen of the presser, but Larry's edits are excellent - is there a need to tweak anything else in this?

*"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov> wrote:*

Governor,

I have attached DOT's draft press release that has now been edited by Larry Persily. It appears to me to be for Alaska media. Randy just returned from DOT and I told him I want to finalize the plan for Gravina today including press advisory, confirmed date and message for national audience, communication to local legislators and press release.

Mike

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**From:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 10:37 AM  
**To:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** FW: FW: Gravina

FYI

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**From:** Larry Persily [mailto:lpersily@ALASKADC.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2007 1:17 PM  
**To:** Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV)  
**Cc:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: FW: Gravina

Russ and Randy,

Yes, DOT sent us the draft to look over. My rewritten version is attached. And here are the accompanying comments I sent DOT at the same time:

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>>> "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov> 9/14/2007 5:12 pm >>>

John & Larry,

Attached is draft that DOT is kicking around. I'm suspecting/hoping that it has been run through your office by now.

I've CC'd Randy so he can run point for the gov's office on this issue. I know he planned to call you and MacKinnon regarding this issue soon.

A quick background would best be saved for a phone conversation. Suffice to say, I'm not comfortable with DOT generating drafts and I never asked for them to provide one. They are being "helpful."

Russ

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**From:** MacKinnon, John S (DOT)

**Sent:** Friday, September 14, 2007 12:50 PM

**To:** Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

**Subject:** Gravina

**Importance:** High

Some edits, changes, etc - new and improved

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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JRBALASH]  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 11:53 AM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Austerman,  
Joseph M (CED); 'ftb907@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Re: Mat Maid op ed final

I am as well.

----- Original Message -----

From: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Austerman,  
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Sent: Mon Sep 17 11:13:01 2007  
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\*<http://sims.yahoo.com/>>

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**Sent:** Monday, September 17, 2007 1:56 PM  
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); 'megan.stapleton@alaska.gov'  
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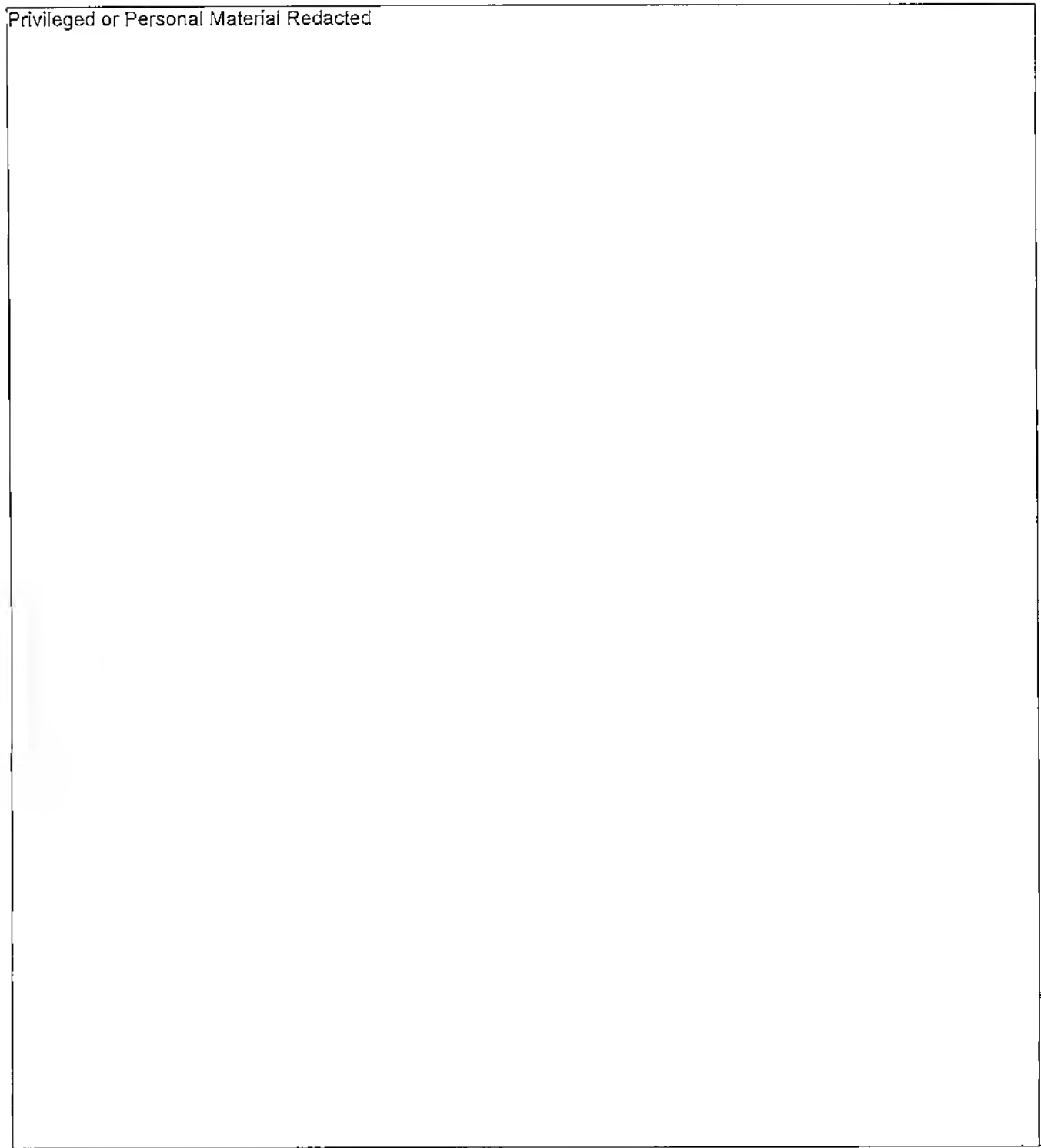
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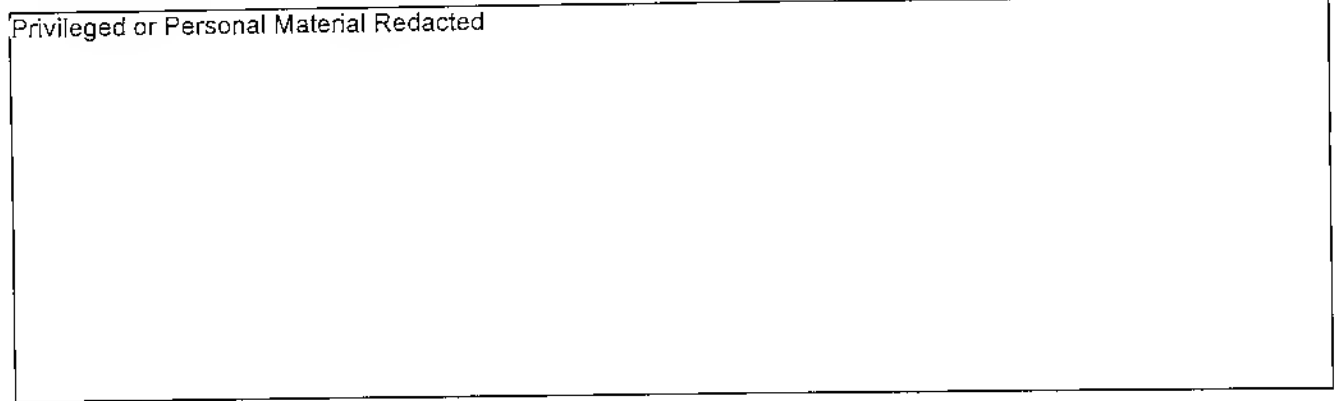
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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 11:30 AM  
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Martha K (DNR)  
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: BG

I've been invited by valdez mayor Cottle to visit BG folks at their port site when I travel on wednesday - is this appropriate in light of AGIA applications?

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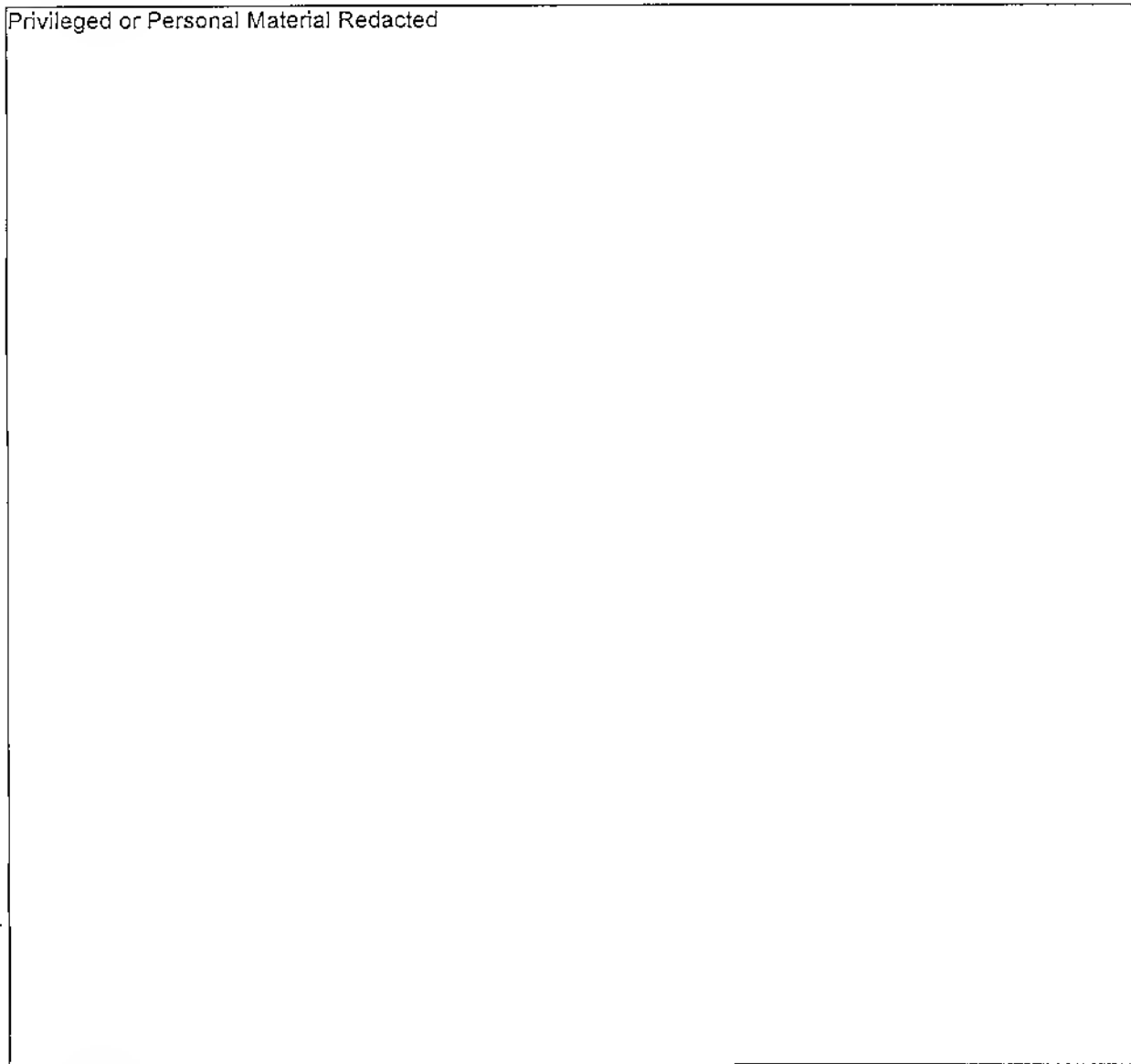
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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 9:49 AM  
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)  
Subject: Tomorrow

Who's running the mtg and what's the agenda?



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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:52 AM  
To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Subject: Re: AIDEA

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----- Original Message -----

From: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:48:30 2007  
Subject: Re: AIDEA

Btw.....salary is 168K just verified.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>

Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 08:19:04

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: AIDEA

Has Ron's position been exempt all this time?

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:17:47 2007  
Subject: Re: AIDEA

Why didnt that rfp go out two years ago? Pls call me when u get a chance today so i can go over our aidea/energy coordination needs.

----- Original Message -----

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:15:36 2007  
Subject: RE: AIDEA

I will ask him for an overall progress report. The work on the Unified System Operator study will largely be done by a contractor. I know the RPF was issued last week. We are meeting with AIDEA today (10:00 am) to go over their budget and I will ask for a work plan with timelines.

Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 7:28 AM  
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
Subject: AIDEA

M- i'll need an update on Ron Miller's progress with AIDEA issues (I've never heard from him in almost a year), esp status report on \$800g energy study that's now going on two-years being behind. Have him send me that aspect of a progress report today, it shouldnt take him long to jot an email letting me know what he's done to get the utilities to work together and present that study so I don't have to veto the railbelt energy funds again.  
Thanks

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Sent: Monday, September 17, 2007 8:37 AM  
To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)  
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Anders; Bruce F (DNR); Gibson; Kurtis K (DNR)  
Subject: RE: logcc

Will do.

Beth

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Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Anders, Bruce F (DNR)  
Subject: Re: Iogcc

Beth - make sure AGIA communications team sees speech soon. Thanks

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Mon Sep 17 08:19:38 2007  
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Beth is drafting the speech. She did receive some information from Seamount and pulled some background information from the IOGCC website. We spent some time Saturday going over the message and specific items to include in the speech. I will check in today to see how far along she is now. Our goal was to get you a draft early and we should be on track.

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Glen

[http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG_Memo.pdf)

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Sent: Monday, August 20, 2007 9:24 PM  
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Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:24 PM  
To: nymeyer@gci.net  
Subject: Letter from Governor Palin

Please see the attached letter from Governor Sarah Palin in response to  
your email.

Lynn Castle

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From: imagistics6530 [mailto:imagistics6530@gov.state.ak.us]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:48 PM  
To: Castle, Lillian K (GOV)  
Subject: Scanned PDF

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Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 7:36 AM  
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Subject: Fw: Beigel

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael A Tibbles  
To: Governor Sarah Palin  
Sent: Sep 12, 2007 6:50 PM  
Subject: RE: Beigel

Governor,

I tracked down a copy of the letter. Lynne sent me a copy in PDF format. I will send it to Kris and have her print it out for you.

The letter was sent under Lynne's signature in response to a letter writing effort by the home school folks. The letter basically points out that there is a new chair of the board of ed and they should work with her. Lynne clearly stated your support for educational choice including home schooling.

After Pat Shier was appointed to the board and he requested a work session on the issue. I did not hear of any reluctance by the board as they scheduled the worksession for their next meeting.

Mike

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From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
Cc: "Michael A Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>; "Lynne M Smith" <lynne.smith@alaska.gov>  
Sent: 9/12/2007 6:32 PM  
Subject: Beigel

Welcome back Lynne!

Did I see that letter that the signature machine signed re: glen beigel's homeschool issue(s), i think it was in response to a letter he or the homeschool group must have sent us.

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Subject: Fw: sarahpalin.com

How in the world did Glen get involved in this aspect of any future campaign?

Fb- what do u recommend on the .com name? I dont want to work through Glen on this or he'll think we owe him something

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Sent: Sat Sep 15 07:17:37 2007  
Subject: Fw: sarahpalin.com

Sarah,

Here is the email about the site.

Thanks

Glen

----- Original Message -----

From: "Peter Torkelson" <peter@advanced-design.com>  
To: "Glen Biegel" <gbiegel@ak.net>  
Sent: Tuesday, January 02, 2007 12:15 PM  
Subject: Re: sarahpalin.com

I certainly don't expect you to pay, but I think it would be in her interest to have it forward to .gov and then own and use it for the next election cycle. Generally the campaign would pay all coming four years in one shot and then I would set it to forward and we



would all forget about it until 2010.

P.

>I can help to pay, or talk with someone in the administration (or even  
>to

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>Thanks

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>Doing year end wrap ups. What do you want me to do with

>sarahpalin.com. Domain renewal costs for the last 3 years are \$30,

>coming 4 years is \$40. I can set to forward gov.state.ak.us which

>would make the most sense that this point. I normally charge \$2 a

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Date: Sat, 15 Sep 2007 07:40:29

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Good idea from sean

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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Right out of the shoot - glad you told me about the mandatory helmet law referenced in DOT info. I don't support helmet laws. We'll do all we can to encourage usage, but I won't support legislating it. We'll have to communicate that to Leo asap. I believe enough states will protest any fed's threat of diminished DOT funds if a state refuses to enact helmet laws that Alaska will succeed with those other states on the issue.

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Thanks again, lots on our plates, this will be fun!

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Just briefly, I have now met personally with all the Commissioners in my portfolio and the AG and asked about their issues. I also mentioned the idea from the meeting last week with Commissioner Monegan of forming a Criminal Justice Working Group or Commission. I think it would be similar to the group formed by Governor Hickel by an Administrative Order back in 1993. I have a meeting scheduled for next week to follow up with the Lt. Governor.

Also, a few positive things happened last week. The court case against the state related to the Anchorage jail and prisoner transport settled out of court by agreement of the attorneys. Documents should be filed with the court soon. The municipality and the State can now get back to working together.

DOT and the City of Ketchikan were locked in a nasty dispute over road and utility work on the main road in Ketchikan, with DOT threatening to shut down the project if the city did not approve payment of another \$775,000 for change orders. We managed to get everyone to agree to finish the project and sort out who pays later. The project should be completed in another week or 10 days.

I am working on a Gravina strategy and will meet with Mike again on Monday. A majority of my time so far has been spent meeting with DOT personnel and frankly, trying to find out exactly what issues are lying out there, what projects, items, they are working on, deadlines for action, and bringing some of them to the attention of the COS. (For example, the State's first Highway Safety Plan is due to the feds from the State on Oct. 1, and DOT's draft has some items in it (mandatory motorcycle helmets, now that will cause some controversy and would impact the state budget - a new state highway safety team).

Sincerely,

Randy Ruaro

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 11:22 AM  
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: AH

Mike- pls let me see info beforehand on sensitive items like this - I'll be seeing legislators tomorrow and I would need to know what our communications are with them on issues I'm working on. Thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 15 Sep 2007 11:18:23

To: ExternalEmailsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: AH

Governor,

The following email was sent yesterday by Russ to all legislators as a heads up to AH's Sunday article. The text is the same as was sent back and forth to AH. I am not aware of any other media contact or legislative contact on the subject.

Mike

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Dear Legislators:

I want to bring your attention to a series of exchanges our press office had over the past week with former Representative Andrew Halcro. It is



expected he will have a column in the Anchorage Daily News on Sunday.

On Monday, he asked whether the Department of Law had conducted an investigation of the PPT votes last session. In response, we sent the following statement in writing on Wednesday:

The Department of Law requested access to the evidence gathered by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. That access was denied. We do not wish to hamper their investigations or prosecutions. In the meantime, we continue to monitor the evidence presented in the trials. Nevertheless, we do not comment on investigations.

In this case, the public does have the plea agreements and testimonials from Rick Smith and Bill Allen. They have admitted to taking illegal actions to corrupt the outcome of the legislative process. Additional evidence is referenced in those documents as well as the indictments of the 3 former legislators.

Mr. Halcro followed that up with the following e-mail to Sharon Leighow that evening:

From: Andrew Halcro [mailto:ahalcro@ptialaska.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2007 6:36 PM  
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Andrew - Here is the response to the question posed Monday

Sharon,

Thanks so much for the quick response.

So just so I'm correct, no internal investigation has been done but the administration still feels the indictment of three lawmakers proves the whole legislative process was tainted. (I don't want to put words in

your mouth but I'm trying to relay the truth as succinctly as possible.  
Let me know if I'm off base....and yes that is an open ended offer  
regarding any subject :) .

Also just a reminder if the governor has some time on Tuesday, I'd be  
honored to have her on as a guest on Mike Porcaro's talk radio program.

Thanks.

Andrew

Out of concern that his column would reflect the erroneous conclusion  
that the governor believed all legislators are tainted, we sent a  
further response on Thursday morning:

Again, the FBI declined to share its evidence with the Department of  
Law, but we continue to monitor the evidence coming out in the trials.

The Governor has NOT said the whole legislative process has been  
tainted. However, the outcome has been colored by the guilty pleadings  
of two executives and the actions of a few legislators. That does not  
make the Legislature as a whole guilty. Here's what she had to say  
last week:

"Aside from the corruption scandal where oil service company  
executives have plead guilty to bribing certain lawmakers for a  
particular oil tax outcome last year, and of course those corruption  
trials beginning tomorrow, there's been a lot discussion out there in  
the public on that issue. There were obviously some lawmakers engaging  
in activities their fellow lawmakers did not condone regarding the oil  
taxes and we have many fine Alaskans serving in our Legislature.  
They're serving for the right reasons and I do look forward to working  
with these legislators in the coming weeks-and months-on new oil taxes."

The audio file is attached.

I want to be sure that each of you is informed of what we have said, and how the governor feels about the role of corruption in the outcome of the PPT debate last year.

Russ Kelly  
Legislative Director  
Office of the Governor

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 11:09 AM  
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)  
Subject: AH

So I'm not caught off-guard, please let me know what all has been sent to legislators and/or media re: any kind of recent response to any of AH's rants and rages?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE  
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 9:39 AM  
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
Subject: Fagan + AOGA

Before I forget to mention it, Dan had a 'packet' from AOGA in his studio when Jeff guest-hosted last Wed. It had colorful charts, brochures, etc. Jeff said to Dan, "Dan? These are your talking points?". No or little response from Dan.

Not that this is a shock, but it helps confirm what we've all expected.

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 9:37 AM  
To: 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Colberg; Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Smith; Lynne M (GOV)  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

You're so right. It's offensive, even, that he emails me this message this morning before he goes on the air to tell me he'll have to just "keep guessing" our position or willingness to help - and he'll "guess" about it on the air? He's shown some true colors.

----- Original Message -----

From: Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored); Colberg, Talis J (LAW)  
Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Smith, Lynne M (GOV)  
Sent: Sat Sep 15 09:19:49 2007  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

After talking to Glen for a long time the other night about the separation between The Homeschool issue, and his "method of delivery" on this issue, I'm struggling a bit that he's pressing AT ALL on this. It is on the radar screen, let us handle it. Maybe I'm being arrogant or offbase but if I ever did what Glen did on the air I would not be continuing to lobby my cause. I don't know if he "gets" that he queued up some pretty big gut shots to the administration for Fagan. He tells me that this issue is their 'pro-life' issue. I think I need to have another conversation with him. This is NOT the way a friend of the admin gets action on item.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>  
  
Date: Sat, 15 Sep 2007 07:40:29  
  
To: "Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov>  
  
Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, ftb907@yahoo.com, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Smith, Lynne M (GOV)" <lynne.smith@alaska.gov>  
  
Subject: Fw: Letter from Governor Palin

Talis- i dumped a load of emails on you re: this issue bc Glen wants to sit down with you on homeschool issues. I know u dont have time. Lynne- pls capture Glen's concerns in a shorter email to Talis, pls cc me in, and then I'll talk to Talis about what we can do to help.

Talis doesnt have to read all the back and forth with Glen.

Glen's delievery of his messages on the fagan, show have dampened my enthusiasm, to say the least.

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Biegel <gbiegel@ak.net>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Cc: ftb907@yahoo.com <ftb907@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Sat Sep 15 07:30:40 2007  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

Sorry to keep bothering you. Here is the link to the memo from Norstrand about religious materials. Just want to save you time.

Thanks

Glen

[http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG_Memo.pdf) <[http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG\\_Memo.pdf](http://www.eed.state.ak.us/news/AG_Memo.pdf)>

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) <<mailto:govpalin@alaska.gov>>  
<<mailto:govpalin@alaska.gov>> >  
To: gbiegel@ak.net  
Cc: ftb907@yahoo.com  
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2007 6:56 AM  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

Glen- i am in Juneau. I got your message a couple of days ago, have been tasking folks to find out what I'm missing so you could receive an appropriate response with going back and forth again. Without fail, each person has reported back that they were confident they had communicated with you about our desire to help. I had people spend more than a day looking for "my" letter to you that seemed to have been the catalyst for the miscommunications on the air, because we wanted all info in front of us in order to respond. That letter was nonexistent, I believe you clarified then about the letter. That was less than three days ago. We're still seeking info on this issue so there will be no more miscommunications, damaged relationships, distrust, missed opportunities to help, etc. I believe you overreacted and you left many people with the impression that their homeschool issues will be better dealt with in a different administration.

It doesn't seem wise to me for you to "make guesses" about anything, then speak about it on the air. I have not had the chance to sit down with the AG to speak about this, as your request is to speak to him, so though it's not wise, nor fair, to "make guesses" again on the air, I can not tell you what to say on air... I've already expressed the committment to help, the tasking of staff to gather more information so the board can more aggressively tackle the issues, I've insisted homeschoolers get adequate time to address the board... etc.

I know Frank Bailey was able to speak with you from Anchorage. I am sure he told you again that we're working to find solutions, as Pat Shier (I believe) has also conveyed to you.

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Biegel <gbiegel@ak.net>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Sat Sep 15 06:38:06 2007  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin

Governor,

I still don't have any indication on how you want to proceed (Timeframe, next steps, meetings, etc). I am having to make guesses on what will happen in the future without any guidance, and then speak about it on the air. I will indicate on air that I did not get the information to you or to the right people and that I have every confidence that this issue will turn out, but it would be nice to have something more than your response below. I don't want to make things worse (if they can get worse).

Thanks

Glen

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) <mailto:govpalin@alaska.gov  
<mailto:govpalin@alaska.gov> >  
To: gbiegel@ak.net  
Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2007 1:49 PM  
Subject: Re: Letter from Governor Palin



I was not provided all this information/communications Glen. Thanks for bringing it to my attention- but this is all the more reason a more responsible venue should have been found for you to air your grievances instead of playing into our known critic's hands. Fagan seemed to be using you, big time. All I could think of when listening to you was: "With friends like this, who needs enemies".

And it's not personally "hard on me" to go through things like that yesterday, but a conservative agenda gets squashed when those who could be working together to accomplish something are set up like you were yesterday. That was brutal Glen, and I've heard from others saying worse things than "brutal". Please don't pass these thoughts on to Fagan - he hates me and my administration enough as it is.

----- Original Message -----

From: Glen Biegel <gbiegel@ak.net>  
To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
Sent: Wed Sep 12 09:25:25 2007  
Subject: Fw: Letter from Governor Palin

Governor,

Here is a copy of a letter from Lynn Smith and an email from one of our parents.

Thanks

Glen

Here also is a paste from a different email about a response to Lynn Smith and a conversation that She, Sally Javier and I had:

Hi Lynn,

Thank you for replying. I would like to talk to you more on the comments from Barbara Thompson and share more information that I pray you will share with the

Governor. The comments from Mrs. Thompson raise many concerns for parents who have been left out of this process.

There was the perception of abuse. How many of these abuses were documented? Why didn't the DEED do something? All the laws needed to prevent that abuse were in place. All the regulations needed to stop the abuse were in place. Why was regulation written in the absence of law? Do they admit that it destroys competition? Do they admit that homeschoolers are having choice stripped from them? This was ordered by former Governor Murkowski who told his staff to shut us down and quiet the papers. Why wasn't this handled with individual teachers who had a certificate they would like to keep?

Also, Lynn, it is not going to work for Mrs. Thompson to say that Galena agreed to this. Galena was negotiating with the DEED and lobbying the legislature for other programs at the same time. Where were the other statewide programs at this meeting? Where were the parents? Open testimony was closed even though there were lots of us waiting. Does Galena speak for all? A quick call to any of the Galena folks will give you the honest answer that all statewide programs were being held at gunpoint during those meetings. The gun was that if they did not take what they were offered, the Murkowski DEED and Murkowski Board of EED would shut them down. That meeting was one of the reasons why parents organized to look after the welfare of their children.

(I'm paraphrasing here.) Glen wondered how Rep. Hawker, and not the legislators who penned the legislation, could make decisions about regulations in the face of laws that are contradict.

Governor Palin told me when we talked (she was in Fairbanks at their fair campaigning) that she believed in competition. Regulating statewide programs with regulations that do not apply to in-district homeschool programs is an equity issue that can not be ignored.

Are you still at the office this morning? If we can not visit via phone today, when do you return from your (more than likely a much needed) vacation? Lynn, who would be your back up while you are on vacation?

When Governor Palin ran for office, she, personally responded to the AHEA questionnaire promising statewide homeschoolers, many of whom campaigned for her, some very specific things. Please see the list below.

Will the Governor meet with us? Has she turned her back on her promises? Who is the Board of EED and the DEED responsible to? Where do they get their authority?

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Sally Javier

1. Currently, the State provides funding for school districts which enroll distance education students from around the state. These statewide programs currently serve nearly 10,000 Alaskan students.

1. Would you support the continuation of State supported homeschooling in its current form?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

2. Brick and mortar schools in Alaska currently spend an average of \$1,500 per pupil on extra-curricular activities, yet the statewide correspondence programs are limited to spending approximately \$800 per pupil for fine arts and P.E.

2. Would you support removing the regulations which cause this inequality among Alaskan students?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

3. The regulations adopted in 2004 and new interpretations of regulations adopted in 2005 impose restrictions on statewide homeschool programs which are not imposed on in-district homeschool programs.

3. Would you work with the families of over 10,000 home school students to correct the disparate treatment of homeschool families according to their enrollment in a statewide or an in-district homeschool program?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

4. The statewide programs receive only 80% of the per pupil foundation formula amount, and they receive no support from local property taxes.

4. Would you work with our members to remove the 20% funding penalty imposed on homeschool students in statewide programs?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

5. Last year, the Department of Education restricted the children of families in the statewide programs who use effective, privately purchased religious curricula, despite the fact that those materials clearly exceed the state's standards under AS 14.03.015, AS 14.07.20, etc.

5. Would you work with our families to guarantee that homeschool parents and teachers can use any materials which are aligned with state standards?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

6. State law currently places no restrictions on independent homeschoolers (AS 14.30.010.10.(b)). Nationwide, there is no correlation between state oversight and homeschooling outcomes.

6. Do you support keeping the current "hands off" approach to independent homeschooling?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

7. Homeschooling families tend to be more politically involved than the average. Many of our members would be willing to help a candidate who would support homeschooling.

7. Would you like us to tell our member families that you would welcome their help in your campaign?

Candidate Sarah Palin - Yes

----- Original Message -----

From: "sally.javier" <sally.javier@ideafamilies.org>  
To: <adougherty@gci.net>; <bheinrichs01@kodiakschools.org>; <gbiegel@ak.net>; <alaskaplantlady@alaska.net>  
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2007 9:24 PM  
Subject: FW: Letter from Governor Palin

-----Original Message-----

From: S. Nymeyer [mailto:nymeyer@gci.net <mailto:nymeyer@gci.net> ]  
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:54 PM  
To: 'Sally Javier'; adougherty@gci.net; benshier@gci.net;  
bheinrichs01@kodiakschools.org; baheinrichs@hotmail.com;  
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sallyjavier@yahoo.com; kodiakak@gmail.com; vonclumm@gmail.com

Subject: FW: Letter from Governor Palin

Somehow this wasn't exactly the response I was hoping for...

Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Castle, Lillian K (GOV) [mailto:lynn.castle@alaska.gov  
<mailto:lynn.castle@alaska.gov> ]

Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:24 PM

To: nymeyer@gci.net

Subject: Letter from Governor Palin

Please see the attached letter from Governor Sarah Palin in response to  
your email.

Lynn Castle

-----Original Message-----

From: imagistics6530 [mailto:imagistics6530@gov.state.ak.us <mailto:imagistics6530  
@gov.state.ak.us> ]

Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 4:48 PM

To: Castle, Lillian K (GOV)

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